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HOMICIDE 700 BLOCK WEST CALLE CASTILE

The Tucson Police Department received numerous 911 calls from citizens reporting a shooting incident that occurred in the **700 Block of West Calle Castile** at approximately 2:34 p.m. on December 12, 2011. Officers from Operations Division South responded to the area, arriving within approximately 2 minutes of their original dispatch. Upon arrival, the officers located an **adult, Hispanic male** lying in the street in the 700 Block of West Calle Castile. The male appeared to be suffering from apparent gunshot wounds. Emergency medical personnel from the Tucson Fire Department responded and transported him to a local hospital emergency room. The male succumbed to his injuries while at the hospital and was pronounced deceased. His name is being withheld at this time pending next of kin notification.

Detectives from the Homicide Investigative Unit responded to the area to continue the investigation. They will interview witnesses as well as examine and collect evidence at the scene. Initial information indicates that two groups of males were involved in a verbal altercation in the street in the 700 Block of West Calle Castile. At some point during the altercation, one of the males discharged an unknown weapon several times. The male victim was struck by gunfire. It is believed that at least two of the suspects left the area in a **red, Jaguar sedan**. Also, it is believed that **one of the suspects was wearing a mask, similar to a ski mask, on his face during the incident**. The exact number of males involved in the altercation is unknown at this time.

The detectives will continue their investigative efforts to determine both the motive and suspect(s) associated with the incident. Anyone with information regarding the motive and/or suspect(s) is urged to call **911 or 88-Crime**.

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